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**Amendments to the Specification:**

**The paragraph beginning at Page 1, lines 12-32, to be amended as follows:**

Various methods, systems and apparatus relating to the present invention are disclosed in the following co-pending applications/granted patents filed by the applicant or assignee of the present invention on 23 May 2000:

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| 09/575,197, | 09/575,195, |             |
| 09/575,159, | 09/575,132, | 09/575,123, |
| 09/575,148, | 09/575,130, | 09/575,165, |
| 09/575,153, | 09/575,118, | 09/575,131, |
| 09/575,116, | 09/575,144, | 09/575,139, |
| 09/575,186, | 6,681,045,  | 6,728,000,  |
| 09/575,145, | 09/575,192, | 09/609,303, |
| 09/610,095, | 09/609,596, | 09/575,181, |
| 09/575,193, | 09/575,183, | 09/575,160, |
| 09/575,150, | 09/575,169, | NPK007US,   |
| 6,644,642,  | 6,502,614,  | 6,622,999,  |
| 6,669,385,  | 6,549,935,  | 09/575,187, |
| 6,727,996,  | 6,591,884,  | 6,439,706,  |
| 6,760,119,  | 9/575,198,  | 6,290,349,  |
| 6,428,155,  | 6,785,016,  | 09/608,920, |
| 09/575,174, | 09/575,163, | 6,737,591,  |
| 09/575,154, | 09/575,129, | 09/575,124, |
| 09/575,188, | 09/575,189, | 09/575,162, |
| 09/575,172, | 09/575,170, | 09/575,171, |
| 09/575,161, | 10/291,716, | 6,428,133,  |
| 6,526,658,  | 6,315,3699, | 6,338,548,  |
| 6,540,319,  | 6,328,431,  | 6,328,425,  |
| 09/575,127, | 6,383,833,  | 6,464,332,  |
| 6,439,693,  | 6,390,591,  | 09/575,152, |
| 6,328,417,  | 6,409,323,  | 6,281,912,  |
| 6,604,810,  | 6,318,920,  | 6,488,422,  |
| 09/575,108, | 09/575,109, |             |

The disclosures of these co-pending applications are incorporated herein by cross-reference.